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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/70/101, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2016.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Ihor Humennyi (Ukraine)
Conrod Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda)
Eihab Omaish (Jordan)
Mohanad Ali Omran Al-Musawi (Iraq)
Babou Sene (Senegal)
Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea)

3. The candidates' curricula vitae are set out in the annex to the present document.

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Annex

Curricula vitae*

Ihor V. Humennyi (Ukraine)

Personal information

Date and place of birth: 6 December 1956, Ukraine

Citizenship: Ukrainian

Marital status: married; two daughters

Languages: Ukrainian, English, Russian

Education

1979	Master's Degree in International Economic Relations and English Language, Kyiv State University
1979-1983	Postgraduate courses in international economic relations, Kyiv State University
1984	Advanced courses in population, labour and financial statistics, Moscow Institute of Economics and Statistics

Present position

September 2010-present	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to Malaysia
September 2011-present	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to Timor-Leste (with residence in Kuala Lumpur)

Previous professional experience in the foreign service

March 2008-September 2010	Director of the Third Territorial Department (for Africa, Asia and the Pacific), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine
March 2004-March 2008	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Kingdom of Thailand, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Union of Myanmar (with residence in Bangkok), Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Lao People's Democratic Republic (with residence in Bangkok)
October 2002-March 2004	Chargé d'affaires of Ukraine to the Kingdom of Thailand
September 1998-October 2002	Director of the Department for Financial Management, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

1995-1998	Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations charging the issues of the United Nations management and administration, budget, programme coordination (Fifth Committee), activities in the field of development (Second Committee) and United Nations reform. Responsible for the organization and execution of work of the Economic, Administrative and Budgetary Section of the Mission
1992-1995	First Secretary, Second Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations responsible for issues related to the United Nations management and administration, budget, programme coordination, activities in the economic and financial fields and reform
1991-1992	First Secretary of the Department of International Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Responsible for the issues of the Second and the Fifth Committees of the General Assembly, Economic and Social Council, Economic Commission for Europe and its subsidiary bodies, sustainable development

Other previous professional experience

1989-1990	Deputy Chief of the Department of Demographic and Labour Statistics, Ministry of Statistics of Ukraine
1987-1989	Deputy Chief of the Population Censuses and Demographic Statistics Department, Ministry of Statistics of Ukraine
1983-1987	Deputy Chief of the Population Censuses and Studies Division, Central Statistical Board of Ukraine
1979-1983	Senior economist of the Division of Statistical Information, Central Statistical Board of Ukraine

Major international conferences, sessions and meetings attended

1995-2014	Fifty-fifth to seventy-fourth sessions of the Committee on Contributions, Member of the Committee, United States of America
2012	Twenty-fifth International Conference of Global Movement of Moderates, Malaysia
2005	International Conference on Sport and Education of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Thailand
2004	Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, Thailand
2004	Thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, Thailand

2004	Fifteenth International AIDS Conference, Thailand
1992-2000	Forty-seventh to fifty-fifth sessions of the General Assembly, Fifth and Second Committees, Rapporteur of the fifty-first session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly, United States of America
1996-1997	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations, United States of America
1995-1996	High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System, United States of America
1992-1998	Thirty-third to thirty-ninth sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Vice-Chairman of the thirty-fourth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, United States of America
1991-1998	Economic and Social Council, second regular, substantive and organizational sessions, United States of America
1996, 1998	Twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sessions, special session of the Statistical Commission, United States of America
1992-1998	Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, annual sessions, regular sessions, United States of America, Switzerland
1992-1998	Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, annual sessions, regular sessions, United States of America
1992	Commission on Population and Development, twelfth session, United States of America
1992-1994	Commission on Sustainable Development, third and fourth sessions, United States of America
1993	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, first session, United States of America
1992	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Brazil
1992	Economic Commission for Europe, forty-sixth session, Switzerland
1989	International Seminar on Labour and Population Statistics (under the auspices of the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Statistical Office), Russian Federation
1987	Second European Regional Meeting on Population and Development, Hungary

Diplomatic rank

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

Conrod C. Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda)

Ambassador

Conrod C. Hunte joined the Diplomatic Service in 1982 and has served in various capacities in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Permanent Mission of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations. He was Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations until 31 December 2012.

Mr. Hunte has extensive and relevant experience in the United Nations system, including environmental, sustainable development and finances. He represented the Antigua and Barbuda delegation in the Fifth Committee (administrative and budgetary issues) of the General Assembly, as well as in the work of various United Nations funds and programmes. In that position, he has promoted measures aimed at making the Organization more efficient and effective and increasing the budgetary discipline of the United Nations systems (July 2007-2012).

Mr. Hunte also worked as an international civil servant for the Convention on Biological Diversity as the Liaison Officer in New York (2003-2006), where his duties were to maintain close linkage with delegations and organizations at United Nations Headquarters on matters related to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Assisted with the promotion of the common objectives of both conventions on relevant issues, including dryland, subhumid, agriculture biological diversity and forest biodiversity.

Mr. Hunte currently serves on the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for which the main functions are to examine and report on the budget submitted by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly; to advise the General Assembly concerning any administrative and budgetary matters referred to it; to examine on behalf of the General Assembly the administrative budgets of specialized agencies and proposals for financial arrangements with such agencies; to consider and report to the General Assembly on the auditors' reports and on the accounts of the United Nations and of its specialized agencies.

He also served as Chair of the Administrative and Finance Committee of the Council of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) (2011-2013) and is currently Antigua and Barbuda's Permanent Representative to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA).

Career highlights

Permanent Representative to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

Ambassador/Deputy Permanent Representative (since August 2007)

Chair of the Administrative and Finance Committee of the Council of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), 2011-2014

Vice-Chairman of the First Assembly of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), 2011

Chair of the Budget Committee of the tenth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, 2010 — Nagoya, Japan

Coordinator of the chairmanship of the Group of 77 and China in 2008 — New York

Ambassador Hunte was the coordinating Chairman of the Group of 77 and China under the chairmanship of Antigua and Barbuda, with responsibility for coordinating the work of the Group in the various Committees.

Memberships

National Coordinating Mechanism of Antigua and Barbuda, (the national forum for the coordinated follow-up to all environmental conventions ratified by Antigua and Barbuda)

Education

Management and Administration Degree: City University of New York, New York

Diploma (Economics): City College New York, City University New York, New York

Certificate: (1993) Academia Diplomatica de Chile: Latin America and the Caribbean in the International System

Certificate: (2001) United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) — Intel Campus on New Communication Technologies and Diplomacy

Certificate: (2000) UNITAR — Negotiation of International Instruments

Certificate: (1997) Diplomacy and Informatics — CUBA

Certificate: (1995) Disarmament and Peacekeeping

Certificate: (1994) Economic Development Institute, International Development Issues

Disarmament Fellow: (1995) United Nations Disarmament Fellowship

Conrod Hunte was born in July 1961 in St. John's, Antigua, and is married with one son.

Eihab Omaish (Jordan)

Experience

Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations — New York, New York (January 2013-present and July 2011-July 2012)

Coordinated the work of the Mission with all United Nations committees and with all regional and political groups. Negotiated United Nations resolutions leading to adoption. Wrote and analysed political reports.

Political Coordinator, Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations — New York, New York (January 2014-present)

Coordinated the work of the Mission with the members and secretariat of the Security Council. Prepared the Security Council's programme of work during Jordan's presidency of the Security Council. Addressed the Security Council on different topics and negotiated resolutions and presidential statements.

Deputy Director of Media Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs — Amman (July 2012-December 2012)

Led a team in preparing daily press reports covering critical local and international news. Wrote press statements for the Foreign Minister of Jordan.

Legal Adviser and Elections Officer, Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations — New York, New York (July 2007-July 2011)

Advised the Mission and Capital on multilateral legal issues. Represented Jordan in the Legal Committee of the United Nations and in the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute. Pursued Security Council legal issues in all committees. Negotiated United Nations resolutions leading to adoption. Successfully led 19 campaigns for Jordan's membership in international bodies.

Deputy Director, Private Office of the Foreign Minister of Jordan — Amman (August 2005-July 2007)

Analysed critical political reports and prepared daily summaries for the Foreign Minister and other Cabinet officials. Wrote statements and talking points for the Foreign Minister. Travelled extensively with the Foreign Minister to attend bilateral and multilateral meetings.

Consul, Embassy of Jordan in Madrid, Spain (August 2001-July 2005)

Led consular team in preparing all visas, passports and commercial documents. Prepared political and economic reports. Coordinated high-level visits and built strong relationships with local chambers of commerce and industry.

Attaché, Private Office of the Foreign Minister of Jordan — Amman (July 2000-August 2001)

Authored sensitive political and legal reports for the Foreign Minister and other Cabinet officials. Attended and wrote minutes for high-level meetings.

Attaché, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs — Amman (July 1999-August 2000)

Covered developments at the United Nations, of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and of the Group of 77 and China and prepared reports for the Foreign Minister.

Lawyer, Amman, Jordan (September 1991-March 1999)

Tried legal cases with specialty in corporate, administration and taxation laws.

Education

Diplomatic Studies — Diplomatic Institute — Amman, Jordan (April 1999-July 1999)

High Diploma in Law (postgraduate) — University of Jordan — Amman 1995

Bachelor of Arts degree in Law — University of Jordan — Amman 1991

Languages

Arabic — native tongue

English — excellent spoken and written

Spanish — excellent spoken, intermediate written

Mohanad Ali Omran Al-Musawi (Iraq)

Birthplace: Baghdad

Birthdate: 1979

Social status: Married; two children

Background

Mr. Mohanad Al-Musawi commenced his career in the Iraqi public sector, holding many positions in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since May 2004. He worked in many Departments (Department of Europe — Political Planning), he served as head of the South Europe Section of the Department of Europe until August 2006 and subsequently served as head of the Political Affairs Section of the Department of Policy Planning until August 2008. He was subsequently posted to the Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations on September 2008.

He has extensive relevant experience in United Nations affairs. He started his work in his country mission as Deputy Permanent Representative of Iraq for a period of two years (September 2008-September 2010). During this time, he participated actively in all Iraqi mission activities on six main committees and the Security Council and he was the Rapporteur of the Iraqi high-level delegations that participated in the negotiations with the United Nations Secretariat related to the Security Council resolution review pertaining to Iraq since 1990 as requested in Security Council resolution 1859 (2008). While representing Iraq in the Fifth Committee (on SPM and PKM issues) of the General Assembly, he worked as focal point with the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI). He also represented Iraq during Security Council negotiations on resolutions (1859 (2008), 1883 (2009), 1905 (2009), 1936 (2010), 2001 (2011) and 2061 (2012).

In January 2013, he became a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. He worked actively beside other members on different major initiatives considered by the Committee (Umoja and International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) implementations; GFSS implementation; capital master plan constructions; mobility; Strategic Heritage Plan (United Nations Office at Geneva); flexible workplace; long-term accommodations) and he is looking forward to continuing his work on these initiatives during his membership in 2016-2018.

Educational degrees

PhD degree in Political Science (Strategy Dep.), AL-Nahrian University (March 2007)

Masters of Arts degree in Political Science (Strategy Dep.), AL-Nahrian University, Baghdad (March 2003)

Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, AL-Nahrian University, Baghdad (September 2000)

Work experience

Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (2013-present)

Expert in charge of Security Council issues as well as the Fifth Committee, Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations, New York (2010-2012)

Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations, New York (2008-2010)

Head of the Political Affairs Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Baghdad, Iraq (2006-2008)

Head of South Europe Section in the Europe Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Baghdad, Iraq (2004-2006)

Professional development

In the period between 2004-2010, he had opportunities to participate in intensive training courses on various subjects in different places in the world as follows:

Training course on Security Council resolution drafting, UNITAR, New York, United States of America (2010)

Certificate in International Security, Geneva Centre for Security Policy, Geneva, Switzerland (2007)

Certificate in International Relations, Clingendael (Netherlands Institute of International Relations), The Hague, the Netherlands (2006)

Certificate in Diplomacy, Institution of Security and Diplomacy Studies, Birmingham University, Birmingham, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2005)

Certificate in Diplomatic Concept, Institution of Foreign and National Security Studies, Seoul, Republic of Korea (2004)

Languages spoken

Arabic (mother tongue)

English (fluently)

Babou Sene (Senegal)

Personal information

Married; three children

Languages

Foreign: bilingual French/English

National: Wolof and Serere

Professional experience

- 1 January 2015 to present: Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
- 1 January 2013-31 December 2014: Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
- 1 September 2010-30 November 2012: Second Counsellor in charge of the Fifth Committee (Administrative et Budgetary Committee) of the General Assembly. Also in charge of the management (financial and administrative matters) and protocol at the Permanent Mission of Senegal to the United Nations
- Facilitator of the Fifth Committee negotiations on pattern of conferences during the sixty-fourth to sixty-sixth sessions of the General Assembly
- Facilitator of the Fifth Committee negotiations on closed peacekeeping operations during the sixty-fourth, sixty-sixth and sixty-seventh sessions of the General Assembly
- Vice-President of the African Group of Experts of the Fifth Committee from 2009 to 2011
- Member of the Group of 77 and China lead negotiators for the items: United Nations programme budget 2011-2012, human resources management, United Nations common system, United Nations peacekeeping operations, international criminal tribunals (International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia) etc.
- June 2009: Elected by the General Assembly as Vice-Chair of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-fourth session
- November 2007-August 2009: First Secretary in charge of Fifth Committee matters. Also in charge of the management (financial and administrative matters) and protocol at the Permanent Mission of Senegal to the United Nations
- Representative of Senegal to the Committee on Conferences annual sessions between 2008 and 2011
- Representative of Senegal at the forty-eighth (member), forty-ninth (observer) and fifth (observer) sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, held in New York, respectively in 2008, 2009 and 2010

- Academic years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007: Trainer at the Ecole nationale d'administration — Cycle B/Diplomatic section
- May 2006-November 2007: Head of the ceremonial Office of the Protocol Service at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Senegal
- February 2002-October 2005: First Secretary at the Consulate General of Senegal in Bordeaux (France), in charge of financial and administrative matters. Also in charge of the Interim of the Consul General
- September 1999-February 2002: First Secretary at the Consulate General of Senegal in Paris (France), in charge of financial and administrative matters
- July 1998-September 1999: Head of the Bureau des organisations internationales à vocation économique at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Senegal
- August 1992-July 1998: Head of the Western Europe Office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Senegal

Education/studies

- 2001-2002: Attended the Law degree courses at the University Paris 1 Pantheon Sorbonne
- 1997: Advanced professional training in development diplomacy at the ZOV (Public Administration Promotion Center) in Berlin (Federal Republic of Germany)
- 1990-1992: Ecole nationale d'administration: Advanced degree of the Centre de formation et de perfectionnement administratifs: Cycle B-: Diplomatic section

Training and seminars on capacity-building

- Price Waterhouse Cooper: Training on the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS), 2014
- UNITAR/United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): International players in public finance and debt management — 2012
- UNDP/UNITAR: Financial transactions negotiations — 2011
- UNITAR: Migration law — 2009
- UNITAR/International Organization of la Francophonie: Workshop on international conference negotiations — 2009
- UNITAR: International trade and the Doha Round — 2008
- UNITAR: Countering human trafficking, partnership for protection and capacity-building — 2008
- UNITAR: National e-strategies: key issues and actions — 2008
- UNITAR/Yale University: Effective public speaking and presentation skills — 2008
- UNITAR: Environmental governance capacity-building — 2008
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs/France: Advanced courses in Protocol — 2007

- Institute of Diplomatic Studies/Egypt: Advanced courses in Protocol — 1996
- Member, representative of the Protocol Service in the steering committees for the preparation of several international conferences held in Dakar in 2006 and 2008 (Summit of the Heads of State and Government of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation)
- Preparation of many notes on the cooperation between Senegal and European countries in the framework of the joint committees and other meetings between 1992 and 1998
- December 1996: Member of the Senegalese delegation at the eighth session of the Ministerial Conference of the International Organization of la Francophonie, held in Marrakech (Morocco)

Skills and expertise

Management, administrative and budgetary matters, human resources management, development diplomacy, protocol, trade negotiations, IPSAS, results-based management and results-based budgeting

Decoration

Chevalier de l'ordre national du mérite of the Republic of Senegal — 2010

Socio-educative activities

- President of the Association sportive et culturelle CEELY de la Patte d'Oie Builders de Dakar between 1995-1999 and 2005-2007
- Member of the network of francophone practitioners in trade negotiations — International Organization of la Francophonie/UNITAR — July 2013
- Treasurer of the Convention des Fatickois — November 2014

Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea)

Summary of qualifications

Senior member of the Foreign Service of the State of Eritrea

Over 42 years of successful managerial, public and diplomatic services

Proven experience and knowledge of diplomatic relations

Consistent record of accomplishment in public and diplomatic arenas

Excellent knowledge and experience of the United Nations system

Extensive experience in high-level diplomatic, administrative and budgetary issues

Highly knowledgeable in operations in humanitarian and conflict situations

Effective team player

Professional experience

United Nations (General Assembly), New York

January 2013-present	Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, subsidiary of the General Assembly

Permanent Mission of Eritrea to the United Nations, New York

June 2003-January 2013	Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative and Head of Chancery
January 1997-June 2003	First Secretary, Acting Deputy Permanent Representative and Head of Chancery
June 1993-January 1997	First Secretary

As head of economic, finance, administrative and budgetary matters, and coordination in all of the above posts, served with great dedication as Eritrea's chief delegate to the Second and Fifth Committees of the General Assembly, Economic and Social Council, funds and programmes, and related bodies.

Delegate to all the regular sessions of the General Assembly, 1993-2012

Chief delegate to the Committee for Programme and Coordination, 2011-2012

Chief delegate to the Commission on Sustainable Development, 2010-2012

Member of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, 2009-2011

Facilitated/co-facilitated and negotiated many draft resolutions and decisions in the Second and Fifth Committees, including landmark decision 2007/32 of the Executive Board of UNDP and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on the UNDP strategic plan, 2008-2011 (DP/2007/43). Statement upon adoption in document E/2007/35, annex 2

Member of the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA from 2004 to 2006

Vice-President of the Bureau of the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA in 2005

Led a group of Board members to Lombok, Indonesia as part of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the World Food Programme (WFP) (8-22 March 2006) and co-authored a draft report on the visit (DP/FPA/2006/CRP.2-E/ICEF/2006/CRP.16)

Served as Rapporteur of UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board field visit to Ukraine (10-16 May 2004) and authored a draft report of the visit (DP/FPA/2004/CRP.4)

Coordinated activities of diplomats at the Permanent Mission in New York

Served as Chargé d'affaires a.i. for a total of 24 months (9 and 3 straight months respectively at one time) in the absence of the Permanent Representatives

As Head of Chancery, managed the Mission for effective and efficient operation; supervised administrative and support staff; coordinated and compiled periodic Mission reports for submission to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs headquarters in the capital

Featured in the front page of the New York Times on Sunday, 22 October 1995 (during the "United Nations at 50 Summit") as one of the multitasking diplomats at considerable sacrifice

As the administrative and finance officer of the Mission from June 1993 to January 1997, handled the accounting and administrative tasks and all protocol matters

Having been the first diplomat appointed to New York, established the new Permanent Mission after Eritrea's membership (182nd member) to the United Nations on 28 May 1993

Eritrean Relief Committee, Inc. (ERC-USA), New York City (humanitarian non-governmental organization)

November 1982-December 1992 — Executive Director

As Chief Executive Officer of the corporation based in New York City, carried responsibilities, under the guidance of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, for the overall operations of ERC Inc. to achieve its three principal objectives: publicizing the plight and humanitarian needs of the Eritrean people and of the larger Horn of Africa affected by war and natural disasters (drought/famine); soliciting funds (resource mobilization) in cash and in kind to meet their needs; and managing the funds that were entrusted to the corporation by the donor community. ERC was incorporated in the State of New York as a non-profit 501(c)(3) humanitarian organization.

Developed awareness and outreach programmes to educate the general American public, governmental/non-governmental agencies and private foundations about the humanitarian needs in Eritrea and the greater Horn of Africa.

- Established or reinstated 38 branches in major cities of the United States of America
- Led a CBS Evening News TV crew from New York to the conflict areas of Eritrea in 1985 and upon return aired the dire humanitarian need in five consecutive segments on their prime time Evening News broadcast
- Led a group of 10 United States-based international humanitarian non-governmental organizations in 1986 on a fact-finding mission to the conflict areas of Eritrea and published a report on the humanitarian need there that the United Nations (WFP) shared
- Facilitated a visit of the National Geographic magazine team to Eritrea which, upon return, wrote a detailed article in the September 1985 issue on the humanitarian situation there
- Testified before the United States Congress — the Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Organizations and Subcommittee on Africa — in Washington, D.C. on 16 October 1985 on human rights violations in the Horn of Africa, particularly in Ethiopia under the military junta

Planned and implemented fundraising (resource mobilization) programmes among the American public, governmental/non-governmental agencies, ERC branches and the Eritrean communities around the country. Raised the resources mobilization level, in cash and in kind, from an annual

$316,000.00 in 1982 to $21 million in 1985. Travelled to the major cities extensively to organize and speak at fundraising events in the entire 10-year tenure.

Having been responsible for the management/administration of the corporation's resources; managed staff and over 500 volunteers in the 38 branches, maintained audited (by independent/external auditors) financial reports for public consumption as required by law, other periodic management reports and updated inventory of the agency's assets. ERC was recognized as one of the most efficient humanitarian agencies, with an administrative overhead of only 8 per cent.

United Bible Societies, Africa Regional Centre, Nairobi, Kenya (international non-governmental organization)

June 1975-July 1979

Regional Accounts and Budget Analyst for Africa

Under the Regional Management Consultant for Africa (based in Nairobi, Kenya), having been promoted to the Regional Centre from the National Office in Ethiopia (Addis Ababa) where I served as senior accountant and business manager for six years to be the first Accounts and Budget Analyst for Africa, undertook the responsibility of a running analysis of budgets and financial reports from 24 national offices within the Africa region; and to be responsible for the general running of the Africa Regional Centre's office in Nairobi

Made thorough examinations of annual budgets submitted by the 24 national offices in the Africa region in preparation for their consideration by the Regional Centre's senior staff and presentation to the Africa Region's Executive Committee

Examined and analysed quarterly and annual financial reports from the national offices in the region and compared them with approved budgets

Visited several national offices in the region to assist them in establishing proper accounting systems and effective internal management controls

Re-established the national office in Luanda, Angola, in January 1977, after the devastating civil war

Delivered 11 lectures on accounting principles and internal control at a seminar organized by the United Bible Societies, Africa Regional Centre in March/April 1977 at Limuru Conference Centre, Kenya, for representatives from 19 English-speaking national offices

Having been responsible for the running of the Regional Centre, verified and paid all due bills; dealt with host country (Kenya) requirements; supervised local staff; and kept proper inventory and records of the Regional Centre's assets

Volunteer work

Vice-President and Board Member, 4-6 W. 105th HDFC, New York, 1993-1995

Treasurer and Board Member, 4-6 W. 105th HDFC, New York, 1992-1993

Board Member, Eritrean Relief Association (ERA), Khartoum, Sudan, 1982-1993

Chairman of Eritrean Students Association, Dallas, Texas, United States, 1981-1982

Relief worker, Eritrean Relief Committee Inc., Kansas/Texas, United States, 1979-1982

Treasurer, Minority Cultural Organization (MCO), Sterling College, Kansas, United States, 1980-1981

Treasurer and member of Executive Committee, Eritrean Community in Kenya, Nairobi, 1977-1979

Relief worker, Eritrean Relief Association (ERA), Kenya Branch, 1976-1979

Treasurer and member of Executive Committee, Scripture Union of Ethiopia, Addis, 1972-1975

Educational background

Master's degree in Business Administration/International Organizations candidate, EUCLID (Euclid University), current

Bachelor's degree in Business Administration/Accounting, University of Texas at Dallas, 1982

Junior Class completed, Liberal Arts with Accounting Emphasis, Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas, 1981 (transferred to University of Texas). Award for Excellence in Campus Leadership from the Association of Colleges of Central Kansas Minority Council, 1980-81

Diploma in Accounting, Haile Selassie I University, College of Business, Extension/Evening Division, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 1970-74

Short training courses and seminars

Seminar on International Intellectual Property, UNITAR, New York, 27 March 2007

Workshop on Elections to United Nations organs, UNITAR, New York, 21-22 March 2007

Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology, Cycle I, Intel/UNITAR Campus, New York, 6 February-23 April 2004

New communication technologies and diplomacy, Intel/UNITAR Campus, United Nations, New York, 20-22 August 2003

Intellectual Property: Workshop on Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)/UNITAR, United Nations, New York, 1 March 2001

Workshop for African Diplomats on the Legal Aspects of External Debt Management and Negotiations, UNITAR, United Nations, New York, 23-25 February 2000

Conflict Resolution and Negotiation for Diplomats, Institute of World Affairs, Salisbury, Connecticut, United States, 10-15 June 1997

Structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions, UNITAR, New York, 1994

Management by Objective, World Vision International, Nairobi, Kenya, March 1978

Successful Management Communication, Management Training and Advisory Centre, Kenya Ministry of Labour (partnership project with UNDP/ILO), Nairobi, Kenya, September 1969

Accounting Training Course, United Bible Societies, Africa Regional Centre, Nairobi, Kenya, September/October 1969

International conferences attended

Member of delegation to the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 12-23 June 2012

Head of delegation to the High-level meeting on ICT and Sustainable Urbanization, Hong Kong, China, 14-18 April 2012

Member of delegation to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Istanbul, Turkey, 9-13 May 2011

Member of delegation to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (on the Millennium Development Goals), New York, 20-22 September 2010

Member of delegation to the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development, General Assembly, New York, 24-26 June 2009

Member of delegation to the high-level meeting on Africa's development needs, General Assembly, New York, 22 September 2008

Member of delegation to the High-level Meeting on the Comprehensive Review of the Progress Achieved in Realizing the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS, General Assembly, New York, 10-11 June 2008

Member of delegation to the thematic debate on the theme "Recognizing the achievements, addressing the challenges and getting back on track to achieve the MDGs by 2015", General Assembly, New York, 1-3 April 2008

Member of delegation to the Commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children, General Assembly, New York, 11-12 December 2007

Member of delegation to the High-level event convened by the Secretary-General on climate change, New York, 24 September 2007

Alternate Head of Delegation to the Ministerial Conference of the Least Developed Countries on the theme "Making globalization work for the least developed countries", Istanbul, Turkey, 8-11 July 2007

Member of delegation to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly, New York, 15 September 2005

Member of delegation to the twenty-seventh special session of the General Assembly, on children, "A World Fit for Children", New York, 5-10 May 2002

Deputy Head of Delegation to the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002

Member of delegation to the twenty-sixth special session of the General Assembly on HIV/AIDS, New York, 25-27 June 2001

Member of delegation to the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (HABITAT II), New York, 6-8 June 2001

Member of delegation to the Millennium Summit of the United Nations, New York, 6-8 September 2000

Deputy Head of Delegation to the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, "World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world", Geneva, Switzerland, 26-30 June 2000

Member of delegation to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly on the theme "Women 2000: gender, equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century", New York, 5-9 June 2000

Member of delegation to the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the theme "Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States", New York, 27-28 September 1999

Deputy Head of Delegation to the meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; New York, 10-11 December 1998

Member of delegation to the special commemorative meeting of the General Assembly on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations, New York, 22-24 October 1995

Additional skills

Excellent knowledge of computer software and information technology

Some knowledge of computer hardware

Very good communication skills